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may severally or jointly be affixed only to containers of oranges or to individual oranges comprising a lot which grades at least U.S. Combination, with not less than 60 percent, by count, of the oranges in each container thereof grading at least U.S. No. 1 and the remainder U.S. No. 2.

(5) The identifying mark "Texas Choice" may be affixed only to containers of oranges or to individual oranges comprising a lot which grades at least U.S. No. 2, except that in determining whether the fruit is reasonably well colored the yellow or orange color must predominate over the green color on at least 75 percent of the fruit surface in the aggregate which is not discolored.

(b) When used herein, terms relating to grade shall have the same meaning as is given to the respective term in the U.S. Standards for Grapefruit (Texas and States other than Florida, California, and Arizona) (7 CFR 51.620 through 51.653) and in the U.S. Standards for Oranges (Texas and States other than Florida, California, and Arizona) (7 CFR 51.680 through 51.714).

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§ 906.151 Reports.

(a) During each fiscal period, each handler shall upon request by the committee file with the committee within the time specified in the request an accurate report showing the total quantity of oranges and the total quantity of grapefruit received by him during such fiscal period or the preceding fiscal period, as requested.

(b) Each handler who sells over 400 pounds of oranges or grapefruit or a combination of both for resale inside the production area shall, for each transaction, report to the committee on a form approved by it the following information:

- (1) Name and address of seller;
- (2) Name and address of buyer;
- (3) Description and quantity of oranges or grapefruit sold;
- (4) Destination of fruit;
- (5) A statement that the buyer certifies that fruit that is subsequently taken outside the production area for resale will be inspected; and

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(6) Such other pertinent information as the committee may require.

(c) The handler shall prepare the report in triplicate. The buyer shall sign the certification statement. The pink copy shall be submitted to the committee within 7 days. The white copy shall be retained by the handler and the canary copy shall be given to the buyer. Such form shall be reviewed by the committee staff and the information compiled for the committee's use.

[34 FR 6651, Apr. 18, 1969, as amended at 61 FR 64255, Dec. 4, 1996; 62 FR 3603, Jan. 24, 1997]

EDITORIAL NOTE: After January 1, 1979, "Budget of Expenses and Rate of Assessment" regulations (e.g. sections .200 through .299) and "Handling" regulations (e.g. sections .366 through .399) which are in effect for a year or less, will not be carried in the Code of Federal Regulations. For FEDERAL REGISTER citations affecting these regulations, see the List of Sections Affected, which appears in the Finding Aids section of the printed volume and on GPO Access.

§ 906.235 Assessment rate.

On and after August 1, 2004, an assessment rate of \$0.12 per $\frac{7}{16}$ -bushel carton or equivalent is established for oranges and grapefruit grown in the Lower Rio Grande Valley in Texas.

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Subpart—Container and Pack Requirements

§ 906.340 Container, pack, and container marking regulations.

(a) No handler shall handle any variety of oranges or grapefruit grown in the production area unless such fruit is in one of the following containers, and the fruit is packed and the containers are marked as specified in this section:

(1) *Containers.* (i) Closed fiberboard carton with inside dimensions of $13\frac{3}{4}$ x $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $7\frac{1}{4}$ inches: *Provided*, That the container has a Mullen or Cady test of at least 200 pounds;

(ii) Closed fully telescopic fiberboard carton with inside dimensions of $16\frac{1}{2}$ x $10\frac{3}{4}$ x $9\frac{1}{2}$ inches;

(iii) Closed fiberboard carton with inside dimensions of 20 x $13\frac{3}{4}$ inches and a depth from $9\frac{3}{4}$ to 13 inches: *Provided*, That the container has a Mullen or Cady test of at least 250 pounds: *And*

Provided further, That the container may be used to pack any poly or mesh bags authorized in this section;

(iv) Poly or mesh bags having a capacity of four, five, eight, ten, or 18 pounds of fruit: *Provided*, That only oranges are to be packed in the four-pound bag.

(v) Rectangular or octagonal bulk fiberboard crib with approximate dimensions of 46 to 47½ inches in length, 37 to 38 inches in width, and 36 inches in height: *Provided*, That this container has a Mullen or Cady test of at least 1,300 pounds, and that it is used only once for the shipment of citrus fruit: *And Provided further*, That the container may be used to pack any poly or mesh bags authorized in this section, or bulk fruit.

(vi) Rectangular or octagonal ¾ fiberboard crib with approximate dimensions of 46 to 47½ inches in length, 37 to 38 inches in width, and 24 inches in height: *Provided*, That the crib has a Mullen or Cady test of at least 1,300 pounds, and that it is used only once for the shipment of citrus fruit: *And Provided further*, That the container may be used to pack any poly or mesh bags authorized in this section, or bulk fruit.

(vii) Octagonal fiberboard crib with approximate dimensions of 46 to 47½ inches in width, 37 to 38 inches in depth, and 26 to 26½ inches in height: *Provided*, That the crib has a Mullen or Cady test of at least 1,300 pounds, and that it is used only once for the shipment of citrus fruit: *And Provided further*, That the crib may be used to pack any poly or mesh bags authorized in this section, or bulk fruit.

(viii) Fiberboard box holding two layers of fruit, with approximate dimensions of 23 inches in length, 15½ inches in width, and 7 inches in depth;

(ix) Fiberboard box with approximate dimensions of 15 inches in length, 11 inches in width, and 7½ inches in depth;

(x) Fiberboard box with approximate dimensions of 25¾ inches in length, 15 inches in width, and 8¾ to 10½ inches in depth;

(xi) Reusable collapsible plastic container with approximate dimensions of 23 inches in length, 15 inches in width, and 7 to 11 inches in depth;

(xii) Reusable collapsible plastic container with approximate dimensions of 14¼ x 10¾ x 6¾ inches;

(xiii) Reusable collapsible plastic bin with approximate dimensions of 36¾ x 44¾ x 27 inches;

(xiv) Octagonal bulk triple wall fiberboard crib with approximate dimensions of 37¾ inches in length, 25 inches in width, and 25 inches in height: *Provided*, That the container has a Mullen or Cady test of at least 1,100 pounds: *And Provided further*, That the container may be used to pack any poly or mesh bags authorized in this section, or bulk fruit;

(xv) Closed fiberboard carton with approximate dimensions of 16½ inches in length, 10¾ inches in width, and 6½ inches in height: *Provided*, That the container has a Mullen or Cady test of at least 200 pounds;

(xvi) Such types and sizes of containers as may be approved by the committee for testing in connection with a research project conducted by or in cooperation with the committee: *Provided*, That the handling of each lot of fruit in such test containers shall be subject to prior approval and under the supervision of the committee.

(2) *Pack regulation.* (i) *Oranges.* (A) Oranges, when packed in any carton, bag, or other container, shall be sized in accordance with the sizes in the following Table I, and meet the requirements of standard pack; and, when in containers not packed according to a definite pattern, shall be sized in accordance with the sizes in Table I and otherwise meet the requirements of standard sizing: *Provided*, That the packing tolerances in the U.S. Standards for Grades of Oranges (Texas and States other than Florida, California, and Arizona), shall apply to fruit so packed:

TABLE I—ORANGES
[7/10 bushel carton]

Pack size/Number of oranges	Diameter in inches	
	Minimum	Maximum
24	3 ¹² / ₁₆	5 ¹ / ₁₆
32	3 ⁹ / ₁₆	4 ⁹ / ₁₆
36	3 ⁴ / ₁₆	4 ⁹ / ₁₆
40	3 ² / ₁₆	4 ⁴ / ₁₆
48	2 ¹⁵ / ₁₆	4
56	2 ¹³ / ₁₆	3 ¹³ / ₁₆
64	2 ¹ / ₁₆	3 ¹⁰ / ₁₆
72	2 ⁹ / ₁₆	3 ⁹ / ₁₆

TABLE I—ORANGES—Continued
[7/10 bushel carton]

Pack size/Number of oranges	Diameter in inches	
	Minimum	Maximum
88	2 ⁹ / ₁₆	3 ¹ / ₁₆
113	2 ⁷ / ₁₆	3
138	2 ⁵ / ₁₆	2 ¹² / ₁₆

(B) If 7/10 bushel containers of oranges are marked, the count of fruit in each container shall not be less than the count marked on the container, but may exceed the count marked on the container by not more than 8 percent. When packed in marked containers other than 7/10 bushel, the pack sizes applicable to 7/10 bushel containers shall also apply to such containers.

(ii) *Grapefruit.* (A) Grapefruit, when packed in any carton, bag, or other container, shall be sized in accordance with the sizes in the following Table II, except as otherwise provided in the regulations issued pursuant to this part, and meet the requirements of standard pack; and, when in containers not packed according to a definite pattern, shall be sized in accordance with the sizes in Table II: *Provided*, That the packing tolerances in the U.S. Standards for Grades of Grapefruit (Texas and States other than Florida, California, and Arizona), shall apply to fruit so packed:

TABLE II—GRAPEFRUIT
[7/10 bushel carton]

Pack size/Number of grapefruit	Diameter in inches	
	Minimum	Maximum
18	4 ¹⁵ / ₁₆	5 ⁹ / ₁₆
23	4 ⁹ / ₁₆	5
27	4 ⁷ / ₁₆	4 ¹² / ₁₆
32	3 ⁹ / ₁₆	4 ⁵ / ₁₆
36	3 ¹³ / ₁₆	4 ⁵ / ₁₆
40	3 ¹⁰ / ₁₆	4 ² / ₁₆
48	3 ⁹ / ₁₆	3 ¹⁴ / ₁₆
56	3 ⁵ / ₁₆	3 ¹⁰ / ₁₆

(B) If 7/10 bushel containers of grapefruit are marked, the count of fruit in the container shall not be less than the count marked on the container, but may exceed the count marked on the container by not more than 8 percent. When packed in marked containers other than 7/10 bushel, the pack sizes applicable to 7/10 bushel containers shall also apply to such containers.

(3) *Container grade markings.* Except when the identifying marks “Texas Choice” or “Texas Fancy” are used by handlers pursuant to §906.137, any container of U.S. No. 2 grade fruit shall be marked to indicate the grade of the fruit in letters and numbers at least three-fourths inch in height: *Provided*, That bags containing five or eight pounds of fruit shall be so marked with letters and numbers at least one-fourth inch in height prominently displayed on the front panel of the bag. The requirements of this paragraph (a)(3) will not be effective until February 16, 1992.

(b) *Nonapplicability.* The provisions of this section shall not apply to gift packages of fruit.

(c) As used herein, terms relating to grade, pack, standard pack, and diameter mean the same as defined in the United States Standards for Grades of Oranges (Texas and States other than Florida, California, and Arizona), (7 CFR 51.680 through 51.714), or in the United States Standards for Grades of Grapefruit (Texas and States other than Florida, California, and Arizona), (7 CFR 51.620 through 51.653); and *closed* means closed in accordance with good commercial practices.

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EDITORIAL NOTE: For FEDERAL REGISTER citations affecting §906.340, see the List of CFR Sections Affected, which appears in the Finding Aids section of the printed volume and on GPO Access.

§ 906.365 Texas Orange and Grapefruit Regulation 34.

(a) No handler shall handle any variety of oranges or grapefruit grown in the production area unless:

(1) Such oranges grade U.S. Fancy, U.S. No. 1, U.S. No. 1 Bright, U.S. No. 1 Bronze, U.S. Combination (with not less than 60 percent, by count, of the oranges in any lot thereof grading at least U.S. No. 1), or U.S. No. 2;

(2) Such oranges are at least pack size 138 with a minimum diameter limit of 2⁹/₁₆ inches;

(3) Such grapefruit grade U.S. Fancy, U.S. No. 1, U.S. No. 1 Bright, or U.S. No. 1 Bronze, or meet the quality requirements of “Texas Fancy” or “Texas Choice” as defined in §906.137 of this part;